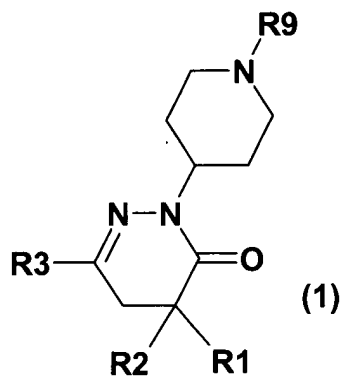


Appendix A

Claim Amendments

1. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1

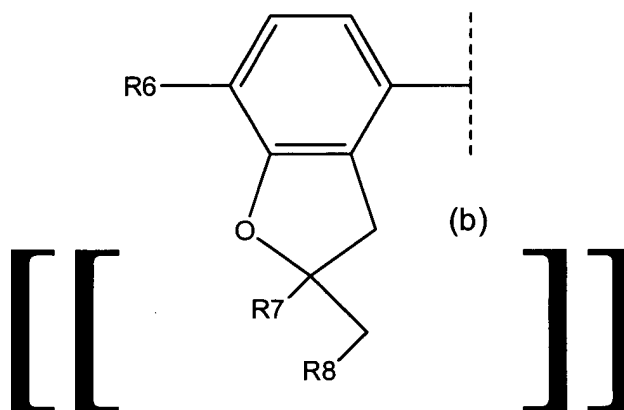
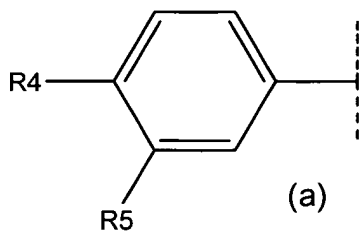


in which

R1 is 1-4C-alkyl and

R2 is 1-4C-alkyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) ~~or (b)~~



wherein

R4 is 1-4C-alkoxy or 1-4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,

R5 is 1-8C-alkoxy, 3-7C-cycloalkoxy, 3-7C-cycloalkylmethoxy, or 1-4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,

~~R6 is 1-4C-alkoxy, 3-5C-cycloalkoxy, 3-5C-cycloalkylmethoxy, or 1-4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,~~

~~R7 is 1-4C-alkyl and~~

~~R8 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,~~

~~or wherein~~

~~R7 and R8 together and with inclusion of the two carbon atoms, to which they are bonded, form a spiro linked 5, 6 or 7 membered hydrocarbon ring, optionally interrupted by an oxygen or sulphur atom,~~

R9 is -C(O)R10, -S(O)<sub>2</sub>-R14, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-C(O)-R18 or -C(O)-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-R21,

R10 is 1-4C-alkyl, -N(R11)R12, phenyl or phenyl substituted by R13,

R11 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

R12 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

or R11 and R12 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-, 1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl, 4-thiomorpholinyl-, thiomorpholin-1-oxide-4-yl- or thiomorpholin-1,1-dioxide-4-yl-ring,

R13 is hydroxyl, halogen, nitro, cyano, hydroxycarbonyl, 1-4C-alkyl, trifluoromethyl, 1-4C-alkoxy, 1-4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine, 1-4C-alkoxycarbonyl, amino, mono- or di-1-4C-alkylamino, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di-1-4C-alkylaminocarbonyl, 1-4C-alkylcarbonyl, 1-4C-alkylcarbonylamino or 1-4C-alkylcarbonyloxy,

R14 is 1-4C-alkyl, -N(R15)R16, phenyl or phenyl substituted by R17,

R15 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

R16 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

or R15 and R16 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-,

1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl, 4-thiomorpholinyl-, thiomorpholin-1-oxide-4-yl- or thiomorpholin-1,1-dioxide-4-yl-ring,

R17 is hydroxyl, halogen, nitro, cyano, carboxyl, 1-4C-alkyl, trifluoromethyl, 1-4C-alkoxy, 1-4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine, 1-4C-alkoxycarbonyl, amino, mono- or di-1-4C-alkylamino, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di-1-4C-alkylaminocarbonyl, 1-4C-alkylcarbonyl, 1-4C-alkylcarbonylamino or 1-4C-alkylcarbonyloxy,

R18 is -N(R19)R20,

R19 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

R20 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

or R19 and R20 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-, 1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl, 4-thiomorpholinyl-, thiomorpholin-1-oxide-4-yl- or thiomorpholin-1,1-dioxide-4-yl-ring,

R21 is -N(R22)R23,

R22 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-

cycloalkylmethyl,

R23 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-

cycloalkylmethyl,

or R22 and R23 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen

atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-,

1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-

4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl, 4-

thiomorpholinyl-, thiomorpholin-1-oxide-4-yl-,

thiomorpholin-1,1-dioxide-4-yl-, pyrrolidin-2,5-dione-1-

yl-, morpholin-3,5-dione-4-yl-, piperidin-2,6-dione-1-

yl, 4,4-dimethyl-piperidin-2,6-dione-1-yl or a 1-methyl-

imidazolidine-2,4-dione-3-yl-ring or a isoindol-1,3-

dione-2-yl-ring-system,

n is an integer from 1 to 4,

m is an integer from 1 to 4,

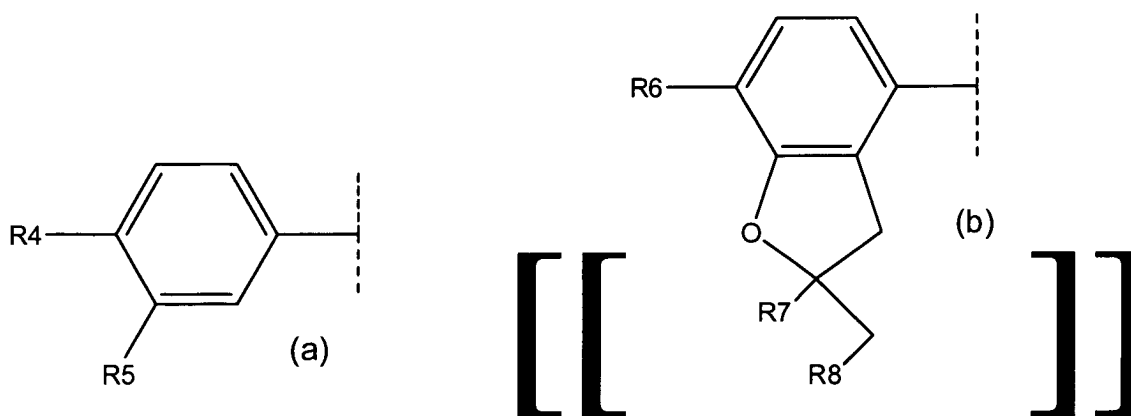
or a salt thereof.

2. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R1 is 1-4C-alkyl,

R2 is 1-4C-alkyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) ~~or (b)~~



wherein

R4 is 1-2C-alkoxy or 1-2C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,

R5 is 1-2C-alkoxy or 1-2C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,

~~R6 is 1-2C-alkoxy or 1-2C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,~~

~~— R7 is methyl and~~

~~— R8 is hydrogen,~~

~~— or wherein~~

~~— R7 and R8 together and with inclusion of the two carbon atoms, to which they are bonded, form a spiro-linked~~

~~cyclopentane, cyclohexane, tetrahydrofuran or  
tetrahydropyran ring,~~

R9 is  $-C(O)-R_{10}$ ,  $-S(O)_2-R_{14}$ ,  $-(CH_2)_n-C(O)-R_{18}$  or  $-C(O)-$   
 $(CH_2)_m-R_{21}$ ,

R10 is phenyl or phenyl substituted by R13,

R13 is 1-4C-alkyl or 1-4C-alkoxy,

R14 is  $-N(R_{15})R_{16}$ , phenyl or phenyl substituted by R17,

R15 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

R16 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

R17 is halogen, nitro, cyano, 1-4C-alkyl, 1-4C-alkoxy or 1-  
4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly  
substituted by fluorine,

R18 is  $-N(R_{19})R_{20}$ ,

R19 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

R20 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

or R19 and R20 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen  
atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-,  
1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-  
4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl or 4-  
thiomorpholinyl-ring,

R21 is  $-N(R_{22})R_{23}$ ,

R22 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

R23 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

or R22 and R23 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-, 1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl, 4-thiomorpholinyl-, pyrrolidin-2,5-dione-1-yl-, morpholin-3,5-dione-4-yl-, piperidin-2,6-dione-1-yl, 4,4-dimethyl-piperidin-2,6-dione-1-yl or a 1-methyl-imidazolidine-2,4-dione-3-yl-ring or a isoindol-1,3-dione-2-yl-ring-system,

n is an integer from 1 to 4,

m is an integer from 1 to 4,

or a salt thereof.

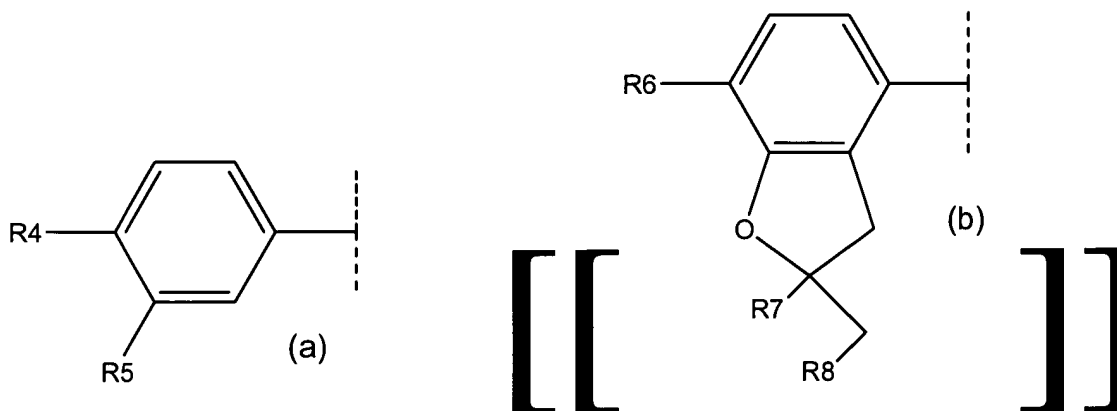
3. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R1 is methyl or ethyl,

R2 is methyl or ethyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) ~~or (b)~~





wherein

R4 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,

R5 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,

~~R6 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,~~

~~R7 is methyl and~~

~~R8 is hydrogen,~~

~~or wherein~~

~~R7 and R8 together and with inclusion of the two carbon atoms, to which they are bonded, form a spiro linked cyclopentane, cyclohexane, tetrahydrofuran or tetrahydropyran ring,~~

R9 is -C(O)-R10,

R10 is phenyl or phenyl substituted by R13,

R13 is 1-4C-alkyl or 1-4C-alkoxy,

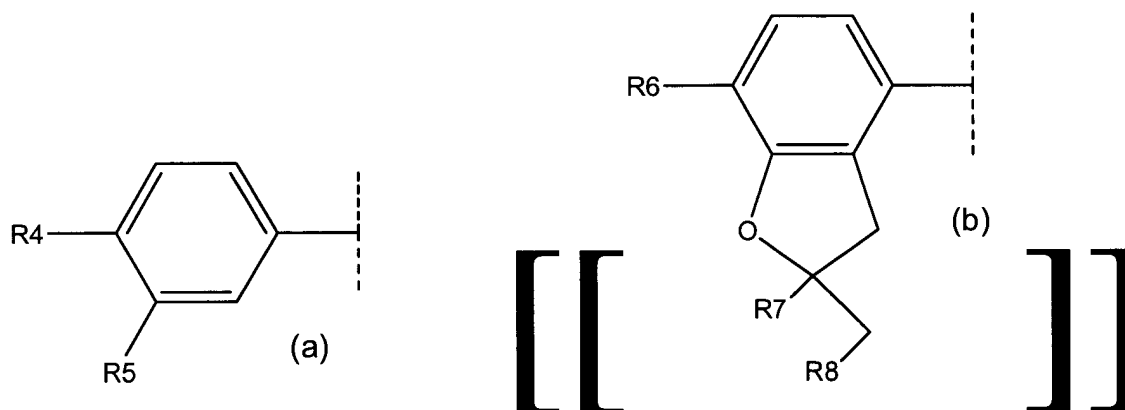
or a salt thereof.

4. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R1 is methyl or ethyl,

R2 is methyl or ethyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) ~~or (b)~~



wherein

R4 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,

R5 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,

~~R6 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,~~

~~R7 is methyl and~~

~~R8 is hydrogen,~~

~~or wherein~~

~~R7 and R8 together and with inclusion of the two carbon atoms, to which they are bonded, form a spiro linked cyclopentane, cyclohexane, tetrahydrofuran or tetrahydropyran ring,~~

R9 is  $-S(O)_2-R14$ ,

R14 is  $-N(R15)R16$ , phenyl or phenyl substituted by R17,

R15 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

R16 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

R17 is halogen, nitro, cyano, 1-4C-alkyl, 1-4C-alkoxy or 1-4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,

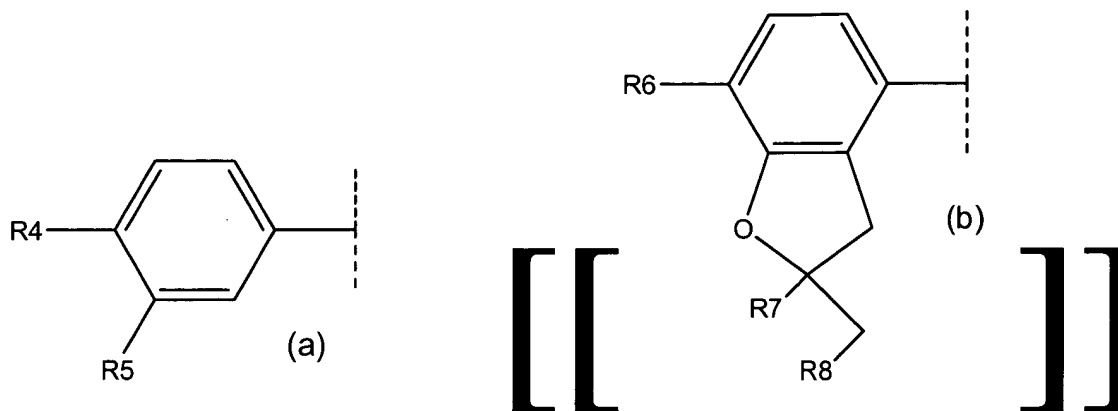
or a salt thereof.

5. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R1 is methyl or ethyl,

R2 is methyl or ethyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) ~~or (b)~~



wherein

R4 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,

R5 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,

~~R6 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,~~

~~— R7 is methyl and~~

~~— R8 is hydrogen,~~

~~— or wherein~~

~~— R7 and R8 together and with inclusion of the two carbon  
atoms, to which they are bonded, form a spiro linked  
cyclopentane, cyclohexane, tetrahydrofuran or  
tetrahydropyran ring,~~

R9 is  $-(CH_2)_n-C(O)-R_{18}$ ,

R18 is  $-N(R_{19})R_{20}$ ,

R19 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

R20 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

or R19 and R20 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-, 1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl or 4-thiomorpholinyl-ring,

n is 1 or 2,

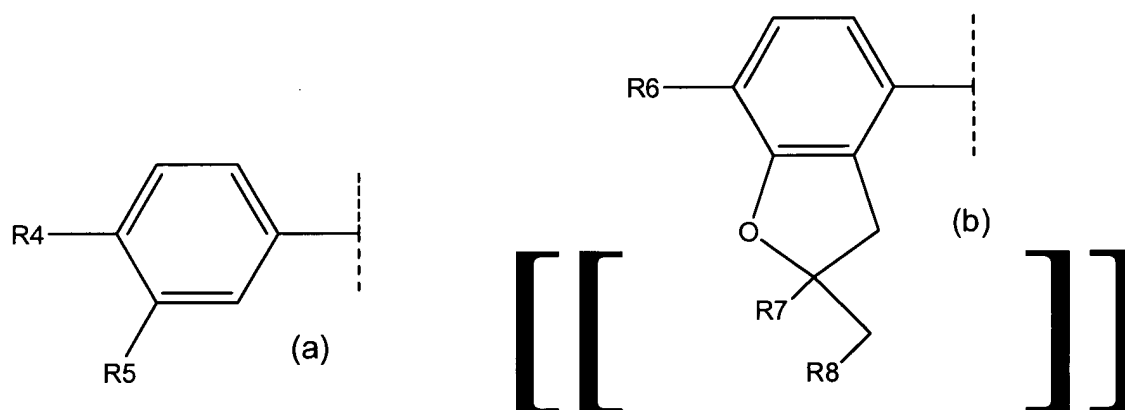
or a salt thereof.

6. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R1 is methyl or ethyl,

R2 is methyl or ethyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) ~~or (b)~~



wherein

R4 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,

R5 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,

~~R6 is methoxy, ethoxy or difluoromethoxy,~~

~~R7 is methyl and~~

~~R8 is hydrogen,~~

~~or wherein~~

~~R7 and R8 together and with inclusion of the two carbon atoms, to which they are bonded, form a spiro-linked cyclopentane, cyclohexane, tetrahydrofuran or tetrahydropyran ring,~~

R9 is  $-C(O) - (CH_2)_m - R_{21}$ ,

R<sub>21</sub> is  $-N(R_{22})R_{23}$ ,

R<sub>22</sub> is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

R<sub>23</sub> is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,

or R<sub>22</sub> and R<sub>23</sub> together and with inclusion of the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-, 1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-methyl-piperazin-4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl, 4-thiomorpholinyl-, pyrrolidin-2,5-dione-1-yl-, morpholin-3,5-dione-4-yl-, piperidin-2,6-dione-1-yl, 4,4-dimethyl-piperidin-2,6-dione-1-yl or a 1-methyl-imidazolidine-2,4-dione-3-yl-ring or a isoindol-1,3-dione-2-yl-ring-system,

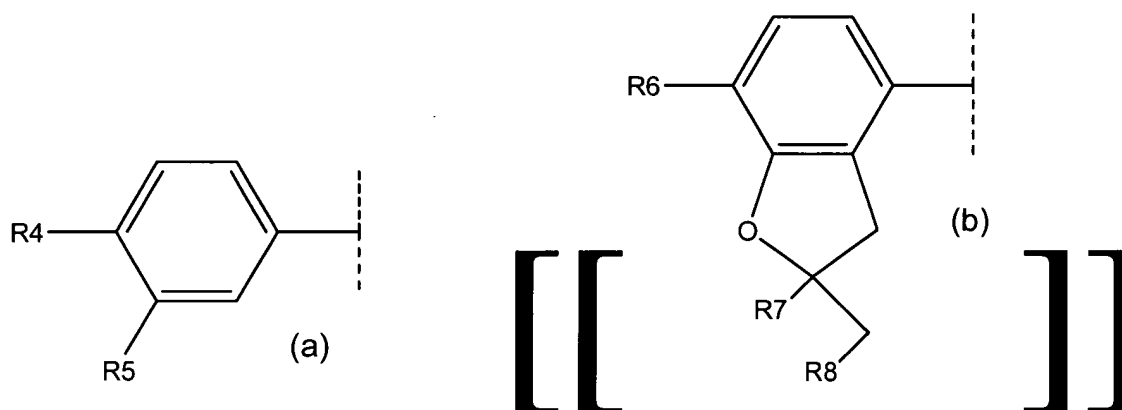
m is 1,  
or a salt thereof.

7. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1 according to  
claim 1, in which

R1 is methyl or ethyl,

R2 is methyl or ethyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) ~~or (b)~~



wherein

R4 is methoxy or ethoxy,

R5 is methoxy or ethoxy,

~~R6 is methoxy,~~

~~R7 is methyl and~~

~~— R8 is hydrogen,~~

R9 is -C(O)-R10,

R10 is phenyl or phenyl substituted by R13,

R13 is methoxy,

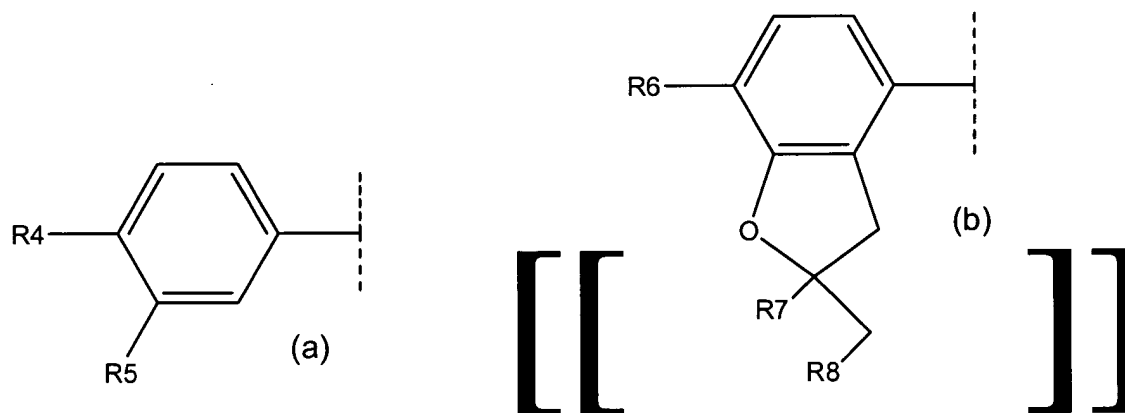
or a salt thereof.

8. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R1 is methyl or ethyl,

R2 is methyl or ethyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) ~~or (b)~~



wherein

R4 is methoxy or ethoxy,



R5 is methoxy or ethoxy,

~~R6 is methoxy,~~

~~— R7 is methyl and~~

~~— R8 is hydrogen,~~

R9 is  $-S(O)_2-R14$ ,

R14 is  $-N(R15)R16$ , phenyl or phenyl substituted by R17,

R15 is methyl,

R16 is methyl,

R17 is cyano, methyl, methoxy or trifluoromethoxy,

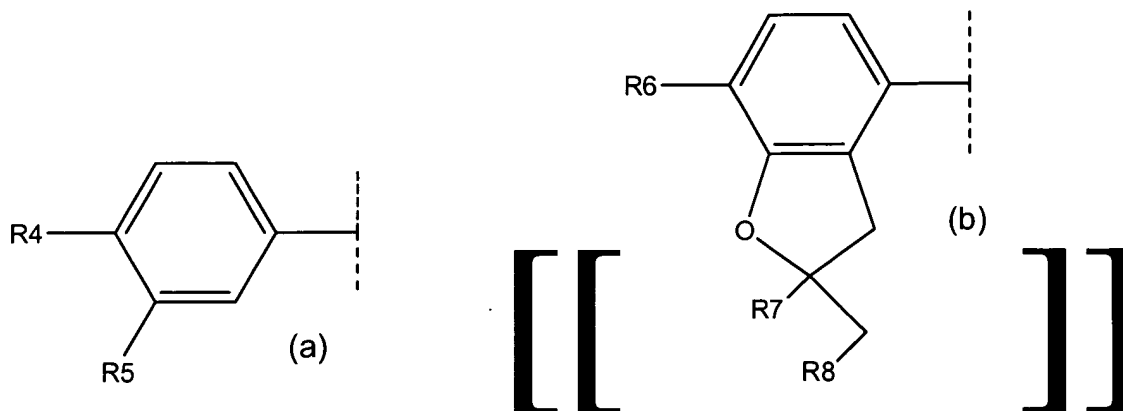
or a salt thereof.

9. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1 according to  
claim 1, in which

R1 is methyl or ethyl,

R2 is methyl or ethyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) ~~or (b)~~



wherein

R4 is methoxy or ethoxy,

R5 is methoxy or ethoxy,

~~R6 is methoxy,~~

~~R7 is methyl and~~

~~R8 is hydrogen,~~

R9 is  $-(CH_2)_n-C(O)-R18$ ,

R18 is  $-N(R19)R20$ ,

R19 is hydrogen,

R20 is hydrogen,

or R19 and R20 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen

atom to which they are bonded, form a 4-morpholinyl-

ring,

n is 1 or 2,

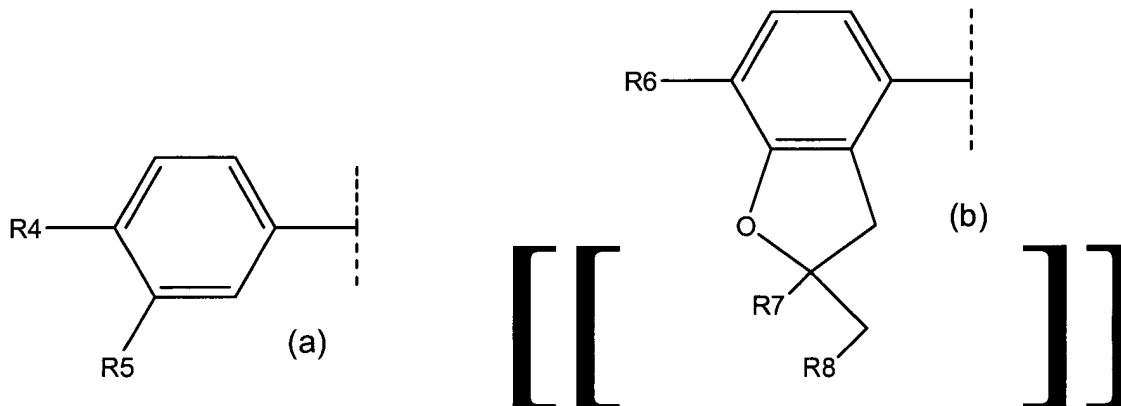
or a salt thereof.

10. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R1 is methyl or ethyl,

R2 is methyl or ethyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) ~~or (b)~~



wherein

R4 is methoxy or ethoxy,

R5 is methoxy or ethoxy,

~~R6 is methoxy,~~

~~R7 is methyl and~~

~~R8 is hydrogen,~~

R9 is  $-C(O) - (CH_2)_m - R_{21}$ ,

R21 is -N(R22)R23,

or R22 and R23 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-methyl-piperazin-4-yl-, pyrrolidin-2,5-dione-1-yl- or a morpholin-3,5-dione-4-yl-ring or a isoindol-1,3-dione-2-yl-ring-system,

m is 1,

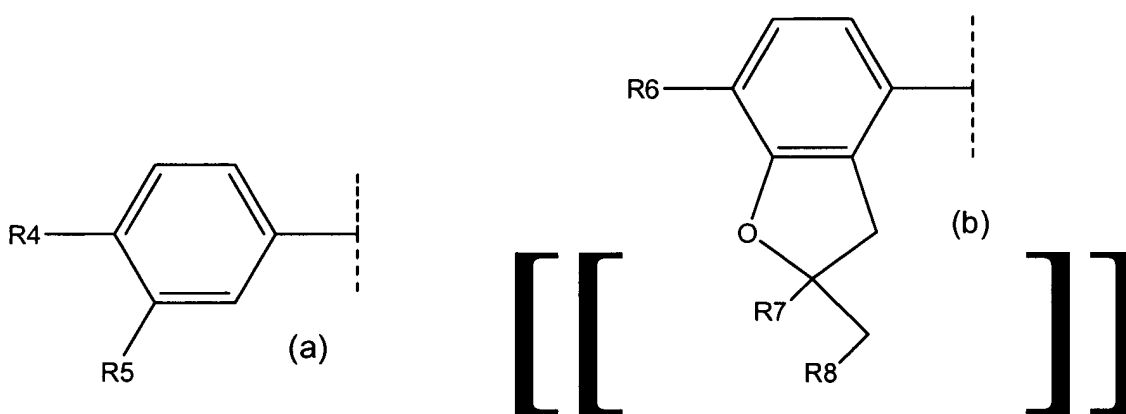
or a salt thereof.

11. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R1 is 1-4C-alkyl and

R2 is 1-4C-alkyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) or (b)



wherein

R4 is 1-4C-alkoxy or 1-4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,

R5 is 1-8C-alkoxy, 3-7C-cycloalkoxy, 3-7C-cycloalkylmethoxy, or 1-4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,

~~R6 is 1-4C-alkoxy, 3-5C-cycloalkoxy, 3-5C-cycloalkylmethoxy, or 1-4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,~~

~~R7 is 1-4C-alkyl and~~

~~R8 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,~~

~~or wherein~~

~~R7 and R8 together and with inclusion of the two carbon atoms, to which they are bonded, form a spiro-linked 5, 6 or 7 membered hydrocarbon ring, optionally interrupted by an oxygen or sulphur atom,~~

R9 is -C(O)R10, -S(O)<sub>2</sub>-R14, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-C(O)-R18 or -C(O)-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-R21,

R10 is 1-4C-alkyl, -N(R11)R12, phenyl or phenyl substituted by R13,

R11 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

R12 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

or R11 and R12 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-, 1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl, 4-thiomorpholinyl-, thiomorpholin-1-oxide-4-yl- or thiomorpholin-1,1-dioxide-4-yl-ring,

R13 is hydroxyl, halogen, nitro, cyano, hydroxycarbonyl, 1-4C-alkyl, trifluoromethyl, 1-4C-alkoxy, 1-4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine, 1-4C-alkoxycarbonyl, amino, mono- or di-1-4C-alkylamino, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di-1-4C-alkylaminocarbonyl, 1-4C-alkylcarbonyl, 1-4C-alkylcarbonylamino or 1-4C-alkylcarbonyloxy,

R14 is 1-4C-alkyl, -N(R15)R16, phenyl or phenyl substituted by R17,

R15 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

R16 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

or R15 and R16 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-,

1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl, 4-thiomorpholinyl-, thiomorpholin-1-oxide-4-yl- or thiomorpholin-1,1-dioxide-4-yl-ring,

R17 is hydroxyl, halogen, nitro, cyano, carboxyl, 1-4C-alkyl, trifluoromethyl, 1-4C-alkoxy, 1-4C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine, 1-4C-alkoxycarbonyl, amino, mono- or di-1-4C-alkylamino, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di-1-4C-alkylaminocarbonyl, 1-4C-alkylcarbonyl, 1-4C-alkylcarbonylamino or 1-4C-alkylcarbonyloxy,

R18 is -N(R19)R20,

R19 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

R20 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

or R19 and R20 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-, 1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl, 4-thiomorpholinyl-, thiomorpholin-1-oxide-4-yl- or thiomorpholin-1,1-dioxide-4-yl-ring,

R21 is -N(R22)R23,

R22 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

R23 is hydrogen, 1-4C-alkyl, 3-7C-cycloalkyl or 3-7C-cycloalkylmethyl,

or R22 and R23 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-, 1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl, 4-thiomorpholinyl-, thiomorpholin-1-oxide-4-yl-, thiomorpholin-1,1-dioxide-4-yl- or a pyrrolidin-2,5-dione-1-yl-ring,

n is an integer from 1 to 4,

m is an integer from 1 to 4,

or a salt thereof.

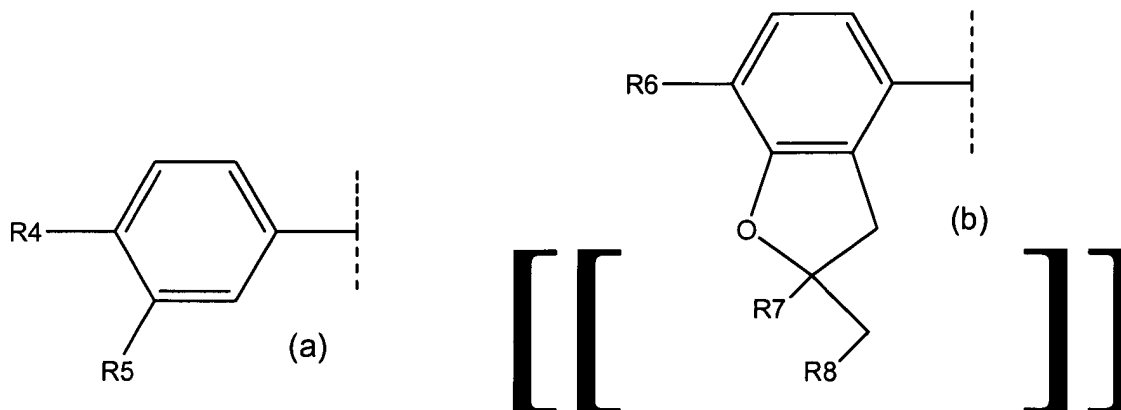
12. (Currently amended) A compound of formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R1 is 1-4C-alkyl,

R2 is 1-4C-alkyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formulae (a) ~~or (b)~~





wherein

R4 is 1-2C-alkoxy or 1-2C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,

R5 is 1-4C-alkoxy,

~~R6 is 1-2C-alkoxy or 1-2C-alkoxy which is completely or predominantly substituted by fluorine,~~

~~R7 is methyl and~~

~~R8 is hydrogen,~~

~~or wherein~~

~~R7 and R8 together and with inclusion of the two carbon atoms, to which they are bonded, form a spiro linked cyclopentane, cyclohexane, tetrahydrofuran or tetrahydropyran ring,~~

R9 is -S(O)<sub>2</sub>-R14, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-C(O)-R18 or -C(O)-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-R21,

R14 is phenyl or phenyl substituted by R17,

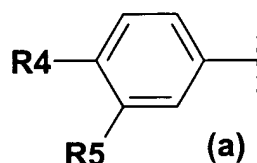
R17 is halogen, nitro, cyano, 1-4C-alkyl or 1-4C-alkoxy,  
 R18 is -N(R19)R20,  
 R19 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,  
 R20 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,  
 or R19 and R20 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen  
 atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-,  
 1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-  
 4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl or 4-  
 thiomorpholinyl-ring,  
 R21 is -N(R22)R23,  
 R22 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,  
 R23 is hydrogen or 1-4C-alkyl,  
 or R22 and R23 together and with inclusion of the nitrogen  
 atom to which they are bonded, form a 1-pyrrolidinyl-,  
 1-piperidinyl-, 1-piperazinyl, 1-(1-4C-alkyl)-piperazin-  
 4-yl-, 1-hexahydroazepinyl-, 4-morpholinyl, 4-  
 thiomorpholinyl- or a pyrrolidin-2,5-dione-1-yl-ring,  
 n is an integer from 1 to 4,  
 m is an integer from 1 to 4,  
 or a salt thereof.

13. (Previously presented) A compound of formula 1 according  
 to claim 1, in which

R1 is methyl,

R2 is methyl,

R3 represents a phenyl derivative of formula (a)



wherein

R4 is methoxy or ethoxy,

R5 is methoxy or ethoxy,

R9 is  $-S(O)_2-R14$ ,  $-(CH_2)_n-C(O)-R18$  or  $-C(O)-(CH_2)_m-R21$ ,

R14 is 2-cyanophenyl,

R18 is amino or 4-morpholinyl,

R21 is pyrrolidin-2,5-dione-1-yl,

n is 1 or 2,

m is 1,

or a salt thereof.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising one or more compounds according to claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, together

with a pharmaceutically acceptable auxiliary and/or carrier.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Currently amended) A method for treating ~~an illness treatable by the administration of a PDE4 inhibitor~~ bronchial asthma, COPD or allergic rhinitis in a patient comprising administering to said patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound as claimed to claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

18. (Currently amended) A method for treating ~~an airway disorder~~ psoriasis or atopic eczema in a patient comprising administering to said patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound as claimed in claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.